

ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Patent Application of

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For: GRAPHITE CARBON POWDER, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the above-mentioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

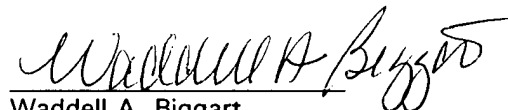
- Claim 12, line 2, please delete "claim 11" and insert therefor --claim 8--.
- Claim 13, line 2, please delete "claim 11" and insert therefor --claim 8--.
- Claim 14, line 2, please delete "any one of claims 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13" and insert therefor --Claim 8--.

REMARKS

The above amendment(s) are made to place the claims in better condition for an initial examination.

Applicants submit that no questions of new matter should arise and entry is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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